**Background Information**

I was born in Salt lake City, Utah, I grew up in West Valley until I was 8. We then moved to Pleasant Grove, we only lived here for a year, later we moved in with my grandma in Orem. My mom remarried years later and we moved about a mile down the street. I played a lot of sports growing up, baseball is what I mostly gravitated towards, I played baseball all through high school until my senior year. I quit baseball and started to rock climb instead, I love the thrill of it. I have lived in Orem until recently when I got married and moved up to Ogden to attend Weber State University. I am one of seven brothers, six of us, including me are now married. My wife and I love to do a bunch of outdoorsy stuff, we rock climb, hike, backpack, paddle board, slack line, and ski.

**Significant Experience**

The first time my wife and I met we were rock climbing, this is a big reason why we are married today. We love to take trips to different National Parks, climbing areas, ski resorts, and all sorts of adventurous places. One of our favorite places we have ever been is called Coyote Gulch in Escalante Utah. It’s a backpacking destination that is in the middle of the desert in Southern Utah. We drove all night to get there on a Thursday evening in fall of 2016. We arrived around 1 in the morning, we got out of the truck, set up camp at the trailhead, and slept till morning. We woke up and started hiking early in the morning, the trail we chose was a laid back 2-mile trail with a steep scramble to get into the gulch at the end. It didn’t take very long to get quite hot in the desert, but when we got into the gulch this hot sunny desert turned into a little oasis. The gulch is a river that has slowly carved out the sandstone and made a very tall narrow canyon full of trees, sand, and most importantly shade. We set up camp in this sandy beach along one of the big curves in the river. When we got there, we ate lunch and admired the beauty around us. If there is one word I could use to describe Coyote Gulch it would be overwhelming, the sheer magnitude of the rock faces is amazing. That day we mostly hiked around the area near our campsite, close by there is a beautiful arch called Jacob Hamblin Arch. We got water at this cool spring that flows out of the wall and trickles down like a little natural drinking fountain, this water tasted amazing and you didn’t have to filter it at all. The next day we hiked along the river in both directions because our campsite was in the middle of the gulch. We saw a vast variety of different sceneries along the gulch, not including the awesome Indian Ruins we never found, but nonetheless we found many hidden gems. When it came time to pack up and hike out the next morning we already were hungry to come back again.

**Current Situation**

My wife and I live in a small, 2-bedroom white house, down the street from campus. This is our first place that we have lived in. We spend most of our time at school or at work. I work as a carpenter, and I love all the skills I have acquired. She works as a camp counselor and at the Weber State climbing wall. We are working hard and trying to save up so that one day I might be able to use my skills to build a home for us. We love the look of cabins so we are going to build an A-frame cabin somewhere in the woods. Brenna and I have learned a lot of things in life and one of our biggest beliefs is that people live so much in excess that they end up wasting a lot of time, money, and resources on everyday things. Therefore, we try to live frugal and only spend money on the things we need or the things that are important to us. That being said, we also love to do things that make us happy, so things like skiing, and climbing we are okay with spending a decent amount of money on. I am excited for the future and what adventures life has in store for me!